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Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes of the Meeting: Oct. 8, 2008 7pm @ 31 Arbor Way

Agenda:

- I. CALL TO ORDER: Chair Gordon Oliver called the meeting to order at 7:14pm. Commission members present: Tom Boscarino, Tom Stauffer, Bob Larew, Kevin Hayes, and Cyndi Costanzo(arrived at 7:30pm)

Also, present: Bob Tedford/Director of Recreation.
Josh Boscarino, Lee Lane, Ellington.

- II. CORRESPONDENCE

- III. APPROVAL OF SEPT. 10, 2008 MEETING MINUTES:

MOTION: Made by T. Boscarino and seconded by G. Oliver to Approve the minutes of the meeting held on Sept. 10, 2008, as Submitted.

Vote: 5-0 in favor of the motion.

- IV. PUBLIC FORUM

- V. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

- VI. RECREATION DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- a) FALL PROGRAMS
- b) UPCOMING WINTER PROGRAMS
- c) BROOKSIDE PARK FUNDRAISER(UPDATE)
- d) DISCUSSION: 2009-10 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET.

- e) REVIEW: CURRENT COST ESTIMATES OF THE PROPOSED NEW RECREATION OFFICE(S) , AS RENDERED BY THE FIRM OF RUSSELL AND DAWSON. THE COST ESTIMATES ARE PRELIMINARY AND A TIMETABLE FOR REVIEWING THIS PROJECT AT A TOWN MEETING HAS NOT BEEN SET.
- f) FOLLOW UP ON COMMISSION MEMBER TOM STAUFFER'S CORRESPONDENCE, ASKING THE TOWN OF ELLINGTON TO CONSIDER ENACTING AN ORDINANCE THAT WOULD PROHIBIT THE USE OF 'TOBACCO' ON TOWN ATHLETIC PROPERTY. A LETTER OF REQUEST WILL BE FORWARDED TO THE FIRST SELECTMAN FOR REVIEW.
- g) OFF-ROAD TRAILS: THE MONKEY.COM SURVEY HAS BEEN SUCCESSFUL TO DATE, AND A NUMBER OF TOWN RESIDENTS HAVE EXPRESSED INTEREST IN SUPPORTING THIS PROJECT.
- h) COMMITTEE/ASSIGNMENT UPDATE: 2008-09:
 - Operations: Tom Boscarino/Mike Pantuosco/Gordon Oliver.
 - Finance: Cyndi Costanzo/Tom Boscarino/Gordon Oliver.
 - Maintenance: Tom Neeson/Hunter Giroux/Kevin Hayes.
 - Outdoor facilities: Tom Stauffer/Bob Larew/Kevin Hayes.

Motion: Made by T. Boscarino and seconded by B. Larew to Approve the committee assignments, as defined, for 2008-09.

VOTE: 6-0 IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION.

- I. BOB TEDFORD ATTENDED A WALK-THROUGH ON THE 99 ACRE 'STANGER' PROPERTY, LOCATED OFF OF HUBBARD LANE. TOWN OFFICIALS ARE REVIEWING THE PROPERTY TO DETERMINE IF THE TOWN OF ELLINGTON MIGHT HAVE A FUTURE NEED AND/OR INTEREST IN SECURING THE PROPERTY.

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a) Finance: The outdoor facilities committee will meet, tentatively, On Nov. 1 to review the Board of Selectman's 2009-10 capital improvement guidelines, and prepare a recommendation to the entire parks and recreation commission.
- b) Maintenance: The (2) main softball fields at brookside were scheduled to be 'skinned' starting Oct. 8 or 9, 2008, with Lori Spielman Landscaping coordinating the on-site work. In addition, the infield (grass) was being cut with a sod-cutter and used on a number of the current soccer fields as 'replacement' sod. The town's department of public works was extremely helpful in completing this portion of the project.
- c) Outdoor facilities: Committee slated to meet Nov. 1.
- d) Operations: review and approve sub-committee meeting minutes of Sept. 30, 2008:

MOTION: made by T. Stauffer and seconded by K.Hayes to Approve the sub-committee meeting minutes of Sept. 30, 2008, as submitted.

VOTE: 6-0 IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

IX. NEW BUSINESS:

- a) T. Stauffer was approached by a town resident, asking if it might be feasible to offer a winter indoor soccer program, specifically for high school females.
Bob Tedford made note that the department has offered a Tuesday evening program (co-ed) in the late Fall through winter for male and female athletes, 7:30-9:30pm at the middle school.
Further review will take place relative to this inquiry.

X. ADJOURN:

MOTION: Made by T. Stauffer and seconded by G. Oliver to

Adjourn the meeting at 8:41 p.m.

VOTE: 6-0 IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION.

Submitted by: Bob Tedford
Director of Recreation

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